

State of Washington REPORT OF EXAMINATION FOR WATER RIGHT CHANGE

PRIORITY DATE January 6, 2014 WATER RIGHT NUMBER S3-30700

NAME & MAILING ADDRESS **Dustin and Donna Stewart** 503 N. Sonora Lane Spokane Valley, WA 99037

Quantity Authorized for Diversion

DIVERSION RATE

UNITS

ANNUAL QUANTITY (AF/YR)

CFS

UNITS

cfs

Purpose

0.02

DIVERSION RATE

ANNUAL QUANTITY (AF/YR)

PURPOSE

ADDITIVE

NON-ADDITIVE

ADDITIVE

NON-ADDITIVE (mm/dd)

PERIOD OF USE

Domestic Supply of one home

0.02

1

1/1-12/31

(includes stockwater and ½ acre lawn

and garden)

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SOURCE FACILITY/DEVICE

DIVERSION RATE

ANNUAL QUANTITY (AF/YR)

UNNAMED SPRING

0.02

1

Source Location

COUNTY

WATERBODY

TRIBUTARY TO

WATER RESOURCE INVENTORY AREA

PEND OREILLE

UNNAMED SPRING

FLAT CREEK

62-PEND OREILLE

SOURCE

PARCEL

TWP RNG SEC QQQ

LATITUDE

LONGITUDE

UNNAMED SPRING

463306500005

33 N. 46 E.

06

48.38487° N

-117.04329° W

GL4

Datum: WGS84

Place of Use (See Attached Map)

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF AUTHORIZED PLACE OF USE

N½N½ of Lot 10 of Gov't Lot 4, Sec. 6, T. 33 N, R. 46 E.W.M. (Parcel # 46306500005)

REPORT OF EXAMINATION

Proposed Works

Spring box, pipe, gravity flow with storage

Development Schedule

BEGIN PROJECT COMPLETE PROJECT
September 1, 2015 September 1, 2016

PUT WATER TO FULL USE September 1, 2017

Measurement of Water Use

How often must water use be measured? Monthly

How often must data be reported to Ecology?

What volume should be reported?

Upon Request by Ecology

Total Annual Volume

What rate should be reported? Annual Peak Rate of Withdrawal (cfs)

Provisions

This authorization to make use of public waters of the State is subject to existing rights, including any existing rights held by the United States for the benefit of Indians under treaty or otherwise

Nothing in this authorization shall be construed as satisfying other applicable federal, state, or local statutes, ordinances, or regulations.

Measurements, Monitoring, Metering and Reporting

An approved measuring device shall be installed and maintained for each of the sources identified by this water right in accordance with the rule "Requirements for Measuring and Reporting Water Use", WAC 173-173.

WAC 173-173 describes the requirements for data accuracy, device installation and operation, and information reporting. It also allows a water user to petition the Department of Ecology for modifications to some of the requirements.

Department of Fish and Wildlife Requirement(s)

The intake(s) must be screened in accordance with Department of Fish and Wildlife screening criteria (pursuant to RCW 77.57.010, RCW 77.57.070, and RCW 77.57.040). Contact the Department of Fish and Wildlife, 600 Capitol Way N, Olympia, WA 98501-1091. Attention: Habitat Program, Phone: (360) 902-2534 if you have questions about screening criteria. http://wdfw.wa.gov/about/contact/

Easement and Right-of-Way

The water source and/or water transmission facilities are not wholly located upon land owned by the applicant. Issuance of a water right authorization by this department does not convey a right of access to, or other right to use, land which the applicant does not legally possess. Obtaining such a right is a private matter between applicant and owner of that land.

Water Use Efficiency

The water right holder is required to maintain efficient water delivery systems and use of up-to-date water conservation practices consistent with RCW 90.03.005.

Proof of Appropriation

The water right holder shall file the notice of Proof of Appropriation of water (under which the certificate of water right is issued) when the permanent distribution system has been constructed and the quantity of water required by the project has been put to full beneficial use. The certificate will reflect the extent of the project perfected within the limitations of the permit. Elements of a proof inspection may include, as appropriate, the source(s), system instantaneous capacity, beneficial use(s), annual quantity, place of use, and satisfaction of provisions.

Schedule and Inspections

Department of Ecology personnel, upon presentation of proper credentials, shall have access at reasonable times, to the project location, and to inspect at reasonable times, records of water use, wells, diversions, measuring devices and associated distribution systems for compliance with water law.

Findings of Facts

Upon reviewing the investigator's report, I find all facts, relevant and material to the subject application, have been thoroughly investigated. Furthermore, I concur with the investigator that water is available from the source in question; that there will be no impairment of existing rights; that the purpose(s) of use are beneficial; and that there will be no detriment to the public interest.

Therefore, I ORDER approval of Application No. S3-30700, subject to existing rights and the provisions specified above.

Your Right To Appeal

You have a right to appeal this Order to the Pollution Control Hearings Board (PCHB) within 30 days of the date of receipt of this Order. The appeal process is governed by Chapter 43.21B RCW and Chapter 371-08 WAC. "Date of receipt" is defined in RCW 43.21B.001(2).

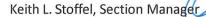
To appeal you must do the following within 30 days of the date of receipt of the Order.

File your appeal and a copy of this Order with the PCHB (see addresses below). Filing means actual receipt by the PCHB during regular business hours.

- Serve a copy of your appeal and this Order on Ecology in paper form by mail or in person. (See addresses below.) E-mail is not accepted.
- You must also comply with other applicable requirements in Chapter 43.21B RCW and Chapter 371-08 WAC.

Street Addresses	Mailing Addresses
Department of Ecology	Department of Ecology
Attn: Appeals Processing Desk	Attn: Appeals Processing Desk
300 Desmond Drive SE	PO Box 47608
Lacey, WA 98503	Olympia, WA 98504-7608
Pollution Control Hearings Board	Pollution Control Hearings Board
1111 Israel Road SW Ste 301	PO Box 40903
Tumwater, WA 98501	Olympia, WA 98504-0903

Signed at Spokane, Washington, this 8th day of January, 2015.



For additional information visit the Environmental Hearings Office Website: http://www.eho.wa.gov. To find laws and agency rules visit the Washington State Legislature Website: http://www1.leg.wa.gov/CodeReviser.

INVESTIGATOR'S REPORT

Application for Water Right -- Stewart Water Right Control Number S3-30700 Gene Drury, Department of Ecology

BACKGROUND

This report serves as the written findings of fact concerning Water Right Application Number S3-30700.

Table 1 Summary of Requested Water Right

Applicant Name:	Dustin and Donna Stewart
Date of Application:	January 6, 2014
Place of Use	N½N½ of Lot 10 of Gov't Lot 4, Sec. 6, T. 33 N, R. 46 E.W.M. (Parcel # 46306500005)

County	Waterbody	Tributary To	WRIA	
Pend Oreille	Unnamed Spring	Flat Creek	62-Pend Oreille	

Purpose	Rate	Unit	Ac-ft/yr	Begin Season	End Season
Domestic Supply of one home (includes stockwater and ½ acre lawn and	0.02	CFS	1.0	Jan. 1	Dec. 31
garden)					

Source Name	Parcel	Twp	Rng	Sec	QQ Q	Latitude	Longitude
Unnamed Spring	46306500005	33N	46E	06	GL 4	48.38487° N	-117.04329° W

CFS = Cubic Feet per Second; Ac-ft/yr = Acre-feet per year; Sec. = Section; QQ Q = Quarter-quarter of a section; WRIA = Water Resource Inventory Area; E.W.M. = East of the Willamette Meridian; Datum: WGS84.

Public Notice

RCW 90.03.280 requires that notice of a water right application be published once a week, for two consecutive weeks, in a newspaper of general circulation in the county or counties where the water is to be stored, diverted and used. Notice of this application was published in the Newport Miner on February 5 and 12, 2014.

Notification with the Department of Fish and Wildlife

The Department must give notice to the Department of Fish and Wildlife of applications to divert, withdraw or store water. No response or comments were received

State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA)

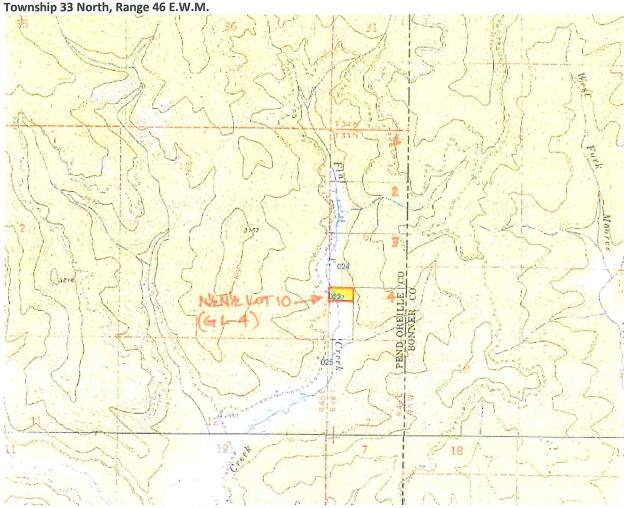
A water right application is subject to a SEPA threshold determination (i.e., an evaluation whether there are likely to be significant adverse environmental impacts) if any one of the following conditions are met.

- (a) It is a surface water right application for more than 1 cubic foot per second, unless that project is for agricultural irrigation, in which case the threshold is increased to 50 cubic feet per second, so long as that irrigation project will not receive public subsidies;
- (b) It is a groundwater right application for more than 2,250 gallons per minute;
- (c) It is an application that, in combination with other water right applications for the same project, collectively exceed the amounts above;
- (d) It is a part of a larger proposal that is subject to SEPA for other reasons (e.g., the need to obtain other permits that are not exempt from SEPA);
- (e) It is part of a series of exempt actions that, together, trigger the need to do a threshold determination, as defined under WAC 197-11-305.

Because this application does not meet any of these conditions, it is categorically exempt from SEPA and a threshold determination is not required.

INVESTIGATION

A site visit was conducted by Gene Drury with Dustin and Donna Stewart on July 31, 2014. The project is located northeast of Bead Lake in Pend Oreille County and just west of the Idaho State line within Water Resource Inventory Area (WRIA) 62.



USGS 7.5 Minute (Topographic Map) - "Galena Point"

The applicant has filed for a permit for diversion from an unnamed spring for domestic supply including minimal amounts for stockwater and irrigation of ½ acre. The point of diversion and place of use is to be located within the N½N½ of Lot 10 of Government Lot 4, within Section 6, T. 33 N., R. 46 E.W.M. The applicants have built a small cabin on Lot 10 but do not live at the property at this time. Construction of the diversion has not started.

On the date of the field visit, water was flowing in the unnamed spring with adequate quantity for the proposed use despite the dry weather and high temperatures the area had experienced in the summer of 2014. The applicants propose to construct a gravity feed system with storage located just behind the existing cabin. Water will be used for domestic supply, including a small amount of water for chickens/goats and a future small garden (less than $\frac{1}{2}$ acre in size). A second and separate application was filed under S3-30719. The projects are unrelated and will have their own development schedules.

Impairment Considerations and Other Rights Appurtenant to the Place of Use

A review of Ecology records was conducted for existing water rights, permits, and claims in the vicinity of the proposed project and downstream on Flat Creek. There was one water right over a mile downstream on Flat Creek recorded under Surface Water Certificate No. S3-26602C (Egolf). This right has a priority date of June 24, 1980 and was issued for 0.02 cfs for single domestic supply and stockwater. A second water right was issued from an unrelated spring downstream under Surface Water Certificate No. S3-26192C (Smith). This right has a priority date of March 29, 1979 and was issued for 0.02 cfs for domestic supply. The proposed water use under Application No. S3-30700 will not impair these existing water rights.

Water Availability

The unnamed spring is located adjacent to Flat Creek. On the day of the examination, there was sufficient water in the spring for the proposed water use. Surface water is available for this project.

Beneficial Use

The proposed use of water is defined in statute as a beneficial use (RCW 90.54.020(1)).

Public Interest Considerations

There has been no public expression of protest or concern regarding the subject proposal, and no findings through this investigation indicate that there would be any detrimental impact to the public welfare through issuance of the proposed appropriation.

The approval of this application for this quantity and use will not be detrimental to the public interest.

Conclusions

Under Chapter 90.03.290 RCW, an application for permit may be approved if water is available for appropriation, and the proposed use would be a beneficial use, would not impair existing water rights, and would not be detrimental to the public welfare.

It is the conclusion of this examiner that public surface water, from the unnamed spring, is available for appropriation. This appropriation is considered a beneficial use and will not impair existing water rights or be detrimental to the public welfare.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Based on the above investigation and conclusions, I recommend that this request for a water right be approved in the amounts and within the limitations listed below and subject to the provisions listed above.

Purpose of Use and Authorized Quantities

The amount of water recommended is a maximum limit and the water user may only use that amount of water within the specified limit that is reasonable and beneficial:

Quantities and Purpose of Use:

0.02 cubic foot per second; 1 acre-foot per year for continuous single domestic supply (including stockwater and irrigation of $\frac{1}{2}$ acre lawn/garden)

Point of Diversion

N½N½ of Lot 10 of Government Lot 4, within Section 6, T. 33 N., R. 46 E.W.M.

Place of Use:

N½N½ of Lot 10 of Government Lot 4, within Section 6, T. 33 N., R. 46 E.W.M.

Gene Drury, Report Writer

1-8-2015 Date

